

Amendments to the specification:

After the title of the invention, please insert the following new paragraph:

CROSS-REFERENCE

The invention described and claimed hereinbelow is also described in PCT/EP2005/056036, filed on November 17, 2005 and DE 102004062020.2, filed December 23, 2004. This German Patent Application, whose subject matter is incorporated here by reference, provides the basis for a claim of priority of invention under 35 U.S.C. 119 (a)-(d).

On page 1, line 2, please amend the heading as follows:

~~Related Art~~ Background of the Invention

On page 1, line 20, please delete the heading.

On page 2, line 11, please amend the heading as follows:

~~Advantages~~ Summary of the Invention

On page 4, line 10, please amend the heading as follows:

~~Drawing~~ Brief Description of the Drawings

On page 4, before line 17, please insert the following heading:

Detailed Description of the Preferred Embodiments

On page 10, please amend the abstract of the disclosure as follows:

Abstract: of the Disclosure

In a A method for operating an internal combustion engine with an electrically openable and closable fuel injector (18), ~~with which~~ the injectors are reliably held open in all operating conditions by the fact that the holding current for an open valve (18) is switched from a standard value to a higher value in certain operating states of the internal combustion engine, and it is reset to the standard value when the certain operating condition has ended.

(Figure 2)